



St Mary's Newsletter

WELCOME TO WEEK 9

The final days of term are upon us and we will be busy until the very end. This week we have term 1 learning conversations, assembly on Friday and on our final day of term an Easter celebration. We love that there is lots of engaging learning going on.

Learning conversations are being held this Thursday for families. Please make a time to see your child(ren's) teachers. Bookings will close on Wednesday at 3:00pm to allow teachers preparation time. Families are welcome to come in for these conversations or email the teacher to arrange an online conversation.

Thank you to the generosity of our families for all of our Easter egg donations. We have a great collection that will service our raffle. Please remember to send in any final donations along with your sold raffle tickets by Friday 26th March.

Last week on Friday, we all took part in Harmony Day. Our school community did an amazing job celebrating our diversity and culture. The day began with a smoking ceremony to cleanse us for the day of learning ahead. We then took part in art, crafts, dance and story to celebrate the many differences that we bring to our community. Thank you to Miss Toll and the staff who organised the day!

Term 2 will be upon us all soon enough. We are currently updating the school calendar which can be accessed on the school website and through our School Stream App. In next weeks newsletter, families will receive the term ahead dates to assist with organisation and planning at home.

God Bless Everyone & Have a wonderful week!

Jasmine Ryan (Principal)



DATES AHEAD

- 26th Mar: Full School Assembly @ 2:20 in the Church
- 29th Mar: School Advisory Council Meeting @ 7pm
- 1st Apr: End of Term 1 - Dismissal @ 2:15pm
- 2nd Apr: Good Friday
- 19th Apr: Term 2 Starts , P&F Meeting @ 6:30pm
- 30th Apr: St Mary's Cross Country Athletics, Whole School Assembly @ 2:20pm
- 3rd - 7th May: Catholic Education Week





St Mary's is a Child Safe School.

We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.

A PRAYER

As we prepare for the Easter Season let us remember:

Faithful God, Jesus gave us the gift of his own Body and Blood that we might have food to sustain us.

As we share the Eucharist of Jesus Christ, let us become eucharist for one another.

May our lives be blessed, broken and given that your people may live.

This we ask in the name of Jesus, our living Bread.

Amen.



Project Compassion

"Be More"

A friendly reminder for all project compassion boxes to be returned to the office by the end of term 1. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



PBIS

Respect for Environment

We are working together to have minimum rubbish at school and in our yard.



St Mary's acknowledges and pays respects to the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet; the Barrapa Rappa People, and pay respects to elders both past and present.



95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days	ATTENDANCE MATTERS WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day	
85%	=	142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days	
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days	
BE SMART BE THERE!			
Percentages based on 190 academic days			

SCHOOL INTERVIEWS BOOKING - Term 1 Learning Conversations

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?code=5u5yw>

Please make bookings for your Term 1 Learning conversations with the above link.

CODE: 5u5yw



Junior Team

Wow week 9!

In the Junior School this week we have been discussing our emotions. We have been exploring different emotions and what they look like, sound like and feel like and linking them to the Zones of Regulation.

We all shared a meal together this week to symbolise The Last Supper. We learned about the events that happened at The Last Supper and spoke about the connections to Mass.

In the Prep room learners have been learning about the letters 'm' and 'r', the sounds they make and what they look like when written.

In the Year One room learners have been focusing on the diagraph 'ck' and adjectives and nouns. In Maths, they have been practising addition.

In Year 2/3 learners have been focusing on narrative writing and have begun planning our own narratives using the 7 story elements. Learners have been practising their phonemic awareness by making rhyming words and linking facts and details in their reading. Learners have been practising making and expanding numbers using MAB.



Senior Team

The holidays are fast approaching.

What a wonderful week we have had in the Senior learning spaces.

We had 3 learners represent the school at the Zone swimming sports on Thursday and should be proud of the efforts.

Learners looked at different emotions and role played these emotions in small groups. It was wonderful to see the learners mixing with learners outside their friendship groups. All the learners stepped out of their comfort zone to express emotions without speaking.

In Maths, we are exploring time and being able to convert 12hr and 24hr time. Some learners will be looking at Secondary School timetables and this will provide them with insight into what to expect when they go to Secondary School.

The Senior learners received their pre- assessment for 'Time' back and were able to analyse their areas of strength and an area they would like to learn more about. It was great to see the learners' reflecting on what they already know and where to next for their learning.

It was great to see so much orange on Friday for Harmony Day. The learners began the day with a Smoking Ceremony and Liturgy. It was wonderful to hear the purpose of a 'Smoking Ceremony' and having all the learners involved. The learners participated in a range of Harmony Day activities organised by the teachers. It was great to see all the learners supporting one another across all year levels.



- Kieran Jameson 23rd March
- Amelia Hammond 26th March
- Silas Toll 26th March
- Matilda Matthews 28th March



ST MARYS COHUNA

easter raffle

\$1.00 PER TICKET

DRAWN THURSDAY 1ST APRIL

TICKET & MONEY TO BE RETURNED TO OFFICE BY
FRIDAY 26TH MARCH



Please fill in both sides of raffle tickets.
If you require more tickets please get more from office



**IGNITE A PASSION
FOR THE GAME!**

COHUNA KANGAS AUSKICK
Cohuna Football Ground
5.00 PM

Thursday's - Starting 22nd April.
JOIN A GREAT CLUB and have
plenty of FUN!!



play.afl/auskick



REGISTER NOW!

SESSION DATES FOR 2021



Thursday 22nd April - 5-6pm
Thursday 29th April - 5-6pm
Thursday 6th May - 5-6pm
Thursday 13th May - 5-6pm
Thursday 20th May - 5-6pm
Thursday 27th May - Week Off
Thursday 3rd June - 5-6pm
Thursday 10th June - 5-6pm
Thursday 17th June - 5-6pm
Thursday 24th June - 5-6pm



Saturday 3rd July - Game Vs Koondrook/Barham 1/2 Seniors @ 3.30pm
Thursday 8th July - Week Off
Saturday 17th July - Game Vs Woorinen 1/2 Seniors @ 3.30pm
Thursday 22nd July - 5-6pm - End of Season break up



**St. Joseph's
College Echuca**
STRENGTH & KINDLINESS

Please come along to the

YEAR 7 2022 INFORMATION EVENING

Monday, 26th April 2021 at 7.00pm in the
St. Joseph's College Oak Centre

**Principal
Tour Times**

Friday	26.03.21	9.00am & 9.45am
Wednesday	21.04.21	2.00pm, 4:00pm & 4.45pm
Friday	23.04.21	9.15am & 10:15am

To book a tour, contact Mrs Brianna James
(03) 5482 2577 or registrars@je.vic.edu.au

Enrolment Packs available for collection at the College
AFTER 26th April 2021 if you are unable to attend.

Parking is available at VIC PARK
(Details above pending COVID
Restrictions)



NDCH

Northern District Community Health

NDCH-your first port of call in the pursuit of good health!



KIDS VOUCHER PROGRAM

Eligible children may be able to receive up to \$200 each.

The Get Active Kids Voucher Program helps eligible families get their kids involved in organised sport and recreation activities by reimbursing the cost of membership and registration fees, uniforms and equipment.

Find out how to apply: <https://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers/how-to-apply/>

To be apply for a Get Active Kids voucher your child/dependant must be:

- aged 4 to 18 years
- a resident in Victoria
- named on a current (at the time of your application) Australian Government Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, and
- named on a valid Australian Government Medicare card.

You can apply for more than one voucher if you have multiple eligible children or dependants.

You must apply separately for each child/dependant.

If you don't have an Australian Government Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card you may still be eligible for special consideration.

Apply Now

<https://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers/how-to-apply/>

www.ndch.org.au

This year the Good Friday Appeal will go ahead from the Cohuna CFA and run by the Lions Club of Cohuna.

2021 Good Friday Appeal Tin Collections

Looking for Volunteers (under 16 must have Adult)

PPE, Face Masks and Hand sanitiser provided

Starting at 9am Friday 2nd April 2021

Cohuna CFA

Must Sign in

Easter eggs for all collectors





Secondary Open Evening

Tuesday 23 March 2021

School Tours

4:30pm | 5:30pm | 7:30pm

- Student and staff led tours
- Meet key Secondary Staff
- Explore our modern facilities

Parent Information session and student activities

6:00pm - 7:00pm

- Hands on classroom activities:
Technology, School Farm, Music, Science

Bookings via: <https://bit.ly/2NBR8Dn>



**BOOKINGS
ESSENTIAL
T: 03 5480 5900**

Secondary Enrolment Interviews

Tuesday 9 March – Friday 14 May (early bookings recommended)

Secondary Open Evening: Tuesday 23 March from 10:00am until 2:00pm – all welcome!

Tours: 4:30 pm | 5:30 pm | 7:30 pm

Parent Information Session and student activities: 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Please book online at <https://forms.gle/3GAVyMTkjoSkEJZq9> or follow the link on our [website](#).

Secondary School Enrolment Interviews: Tuesday 9 March – Friday 14 May (please book asap)

For more Scholarship information please refer

to: <https://www.moamagrammar.nsw.edu.au/enrolments/scholarships/>

Academic Scholarship 2022 Applications close: Friday 12 March

Edutest held at Moama Anglican Grammar: Saturday 20 March

General Excellence Scholarship 2022: Applications close Saturday 20 March

Music / Performing Arts Scholarship 2022: Applications close Saturday 20 March

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you would like any other information and thank you in anticipation.

Kind regards,

Lou Kennaugh

Registrar / Office Manager

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